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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as revised on February 4, 1992, 1135 OG 23-24, Applicants hereby call the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application.

Each of these documents was cited in the parent of the above-identified application upon which priority is asserted under 35 USC §120 and therefore, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98, copies are not enclosed.

No inference should be drawn that any apparatus or method disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

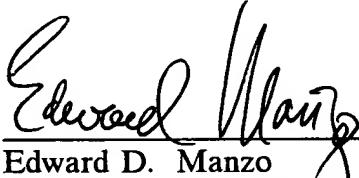
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Applicant also respectfully reserves the right to later set forth how the instant invention is distinguished over the disclosure of any document or other art, including the disclosure of those documents discussed herein, that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

As this IDS is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the application and before a first office action has issued, no fee is believed necessary. If a fee should be needed, please charge Deposit Account No. 03-3135.

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